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25X1 1. [] (OSI) telephoned to advise that the Hollifield Subcommittee of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy wished a briefing from the Agency on the Soviet nuclear electric program. A request will be forthcoming to the Agency on this. I also queried [] whether AEC had responded to the Bureau of the Budget on the proposed executive order. He will check this further.

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25X1 3. Called Al Westphal, House Foreign Affairs Committee staff, on the case of []. Westphal was advised that naturally this Agency was aware of [] contacts in his first area of assignment overseas and had received copies of his reports on these contacts. However, by the time he was reassigned to [] this arrangement had terminated, and no similar arrangement was made in []. He indicated that he had talked with USIA people here concerning the basis for []'s separation. He said he had been interested in whether there were any security factors involved. He was advised that there may have been security factors which USIA considered in his separation, but the inference given was this was a matter for USIA determination. Westphal added he had spent as much time as he felt he could on the case, and while [] might have some points in his favor, he felt that his position was not very strong. Therefore, Westphal is recommending that the case be put back on ice as far as the Foreign Affairs Committee is concerned.

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25X1 Tom Roderick, General Counsel's office of USIA, was advised of Westphal's comment.

25X1 4. Talked with Roland Severy, Bureau of the Budget, on the reason for the provision in section 9 of H. R. 5173, the Overseas Medical Benefit bill. This section appears to negate the provisions of sections 7 and 8 of the bill authorizing payment of medical expenses for dependents. Personnel

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